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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR TREATING PERFLUOROCOMPOUNDS

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Washington, D.C. 20231

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- A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
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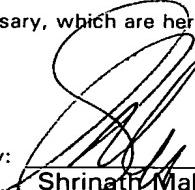
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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 10, 2003, Applicants respond as follows. A Petition and fee for a two-month Extension of Time accompanies this response.